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RED CROSS ESTABLISHES HOSPITAL

Many Cases Influenza Developed During Week.

ONE HUNDRED REPORTED

Red Cross Nurses Arrive to Assist Caring for Patients; Effort to Get Public Health Doctor.

This community is experiencing an epidemic of influenza that may prove serious if it doesn't abate in a short time. Since last Sunday there have been almost one hundred cases developed in Burns and surrounding territory. Fortunately no serious cases of pneumonia are reported and the situation may be gotten in hand without disastrous results.

At the request of the public health officer, Dr. B. F. Smith, the executive committee of the Red Cross Chapter had a meeting during the week and arranged to open an emergency hospital. The Presbyterian church has been secured for this purpose and several beds have been installed with competent Red Cross nurses in charge of the patients.

Chairman E. H. Conser of the Chapter wired to headquarters for nurses and three arrived last night to take up the work of relieving patients and seeing they have proper care. On their arrival and being informed of the situation, Mrs. Myrtle Keiser, one of the number who has had wide experience in Red Cross work, advised Chairman Conser to wire for three more nurses and these will soon arrive. Upon learning the Chapter was limited as to hospital supplies the lady instructed the Chapter to ask for these by wire to headquarters therefore one hundred pairs of blankets, the same number of sheets, pillow cases, bath towels, etc. were asked for with the assurance that they would be forthcoming without delay.

Through the kindness of the people of Burns sufficient beds and necessary supplies have been loaned until the Red Cross supplies can be received. The hospital is ready to receive all who make application and they are assured of the very best attention. In fact the nurses prefer that all patients be taken there as they can be given better attention especially as nurses are hard to get and by putting them together one nurse and an aid can care for a good many patients.

It should be understood that the Red Cross cannot make charges for its services but those who are financially able may make donations to the cause. Owing to circumstances of scarcity of nurses and doctors people should keep the above facts in mind.

The three Red Cross nurses who are now installed at the emergency hospital, Mrs. Myrtle Keiser, Miss Helen Baird and Miss Bertha Lovins, are trained hospital nurses who have had previous experience in "flu" nursing.

Miss Ilda Hayes having volunteered her services has been placed in charge of the cooking and the purchase of commissary supplies for the hospital. Miss Libbie Kirchesky has volunteered her services for nursing work, also Mrs. Frances Clark and many others have expressed their desire to be of help in any way possible. It is just such people as these who are going to pull us successfully through this scourge and it behooves us to remember them. They are the salt of the earth.

An effort is being made by the Red Cross to have one or more Public Health Service doctors sent in here as the work is much more than Drs. Smith and Gaery, who are working night and day, can handle.

Just before going to press we are informed that the schools have been closed until February 9.

Changes in War Insurance.

Through the efforts of the American Legion a bill amending the War Risk Insurance Act has been passed and became effective December 24, 1919. Under its provisions many new privileges have been granted in compensation for the increased cost of service men and large increases in compensation have been authorized for disabled soldiers and sailors. Due to a lack of space further information cannot be given in this issue. Service men desiring this information and assistance in making application for the privileges granted under the amendment will be gladly helped by Don M. Taylor, secretary Harney County Chapter, American Red Cross.

BILLS PASSED AT EXTRA SESSION

Solons Pass on Large Number of Measures in Short Time

In the one week of extraordinary session, the legislature, which adjourned Sunday morning, passed 94 bills, of these 53 were house bills and 41 senate bills. For the short time the legislature were in session they passed upon a very large number of bills, few of which were of an emergency character. The summary of bills, resolutions and memorials approved by the legislature as published in the Oregonian, follows:

Senate Joint Resolutions.

S. J. R. 1, by Farrell—Providing for ratification of national suffrage amendment.

S. J. R. 2, by Pierce—Appointing committee to investigate boys' training school.

S. J. R. 3, by Banks—Thanking University of Oregon football team for record and sportsmanship at Pasadena football game against Harvard.

S. J. R. 4, by Banks and Mosier—Referring to people proposed amendment to constitution providing that president of senate succeeds to office of governor to serve as such only until next general election.

S. J. R. 5, by Norblad—Relating to national highways system.

S. J. R. 6, by judiciary committee—Providing for reference to people of amendment to restore capital punishment for treason and first degree murder.

House Joint Resolutions.

H. J. R. 7, by Burdick—Amending the state fish and game commission.

H. J. R. 8, by resolutions committee—Amending constitution to increase state indebtedness for roads.

H. J. R. 9, by Beau—Investigating constitution as to debts of counties.

H. J. R. 10, by Burdick—Creating a commission to investigate means of developing central Oregon.

H. J. R. 11, by committee on resolutions—Providing for an argument in official pamphlet against minimum wage amendment.

S. C. R. by Bell—Providing for investigation of salaries of county officers.

Senate Joint Memorials.

S. J. M. 1, by Patterson—Memorializing congress to bar American-born children of Japanese aliens from becoming American citizens.

S. J. M. 2, by I. S. Smith—Memorializing congress to appropriate money for Roosevelt highway.

S. J. M. 3, by Lachmund—Memorializing congress to pension veterans and widows of veterans of early Oregon wars.

S. J. M. 4, by Baldwin—Memorializing congress to open Klamath Indian reservation for settlement.

S. J. M. 5, by I. S. Smith—Asking congress to establish life-saving station near Port Orford.

S. J. M. 6, by Rittner—Asking congress to give preference to ex-service men in opening up certain public lands in Klamath county for settlement.

House Joint Memorials.

H. J. M. 1, by Dennis—Relating to national highways.

H. J. M. 2, by Fuller—Relating to patrol of forests by airplane.

H. J. M. 3, by Lewis and Kull—Relating to disloyal aliens.

House Bills Passed in Senate.

H. B. 1, by labor and industries committee—Relating to funds for reconstruction hospital.

H. B. 2, by labor and industries committee—Providing for additional compensation for injured workmen.

H. B. 3, by labor and industries committee—Providing for rehabilitation of injured workmen.

H. B. 4, by Gallagher—Designating Ontario-Jordan Valley road as part of the state highway system.

H. B. 5, by Jones—Extending time in which federal government may appropriate funds for Roosevelt highway project.

H. B. 6, by Hughes—Authorizing county assessors and deputies to administer oaths.

H. B. 7, by labor and industries committee—Providing for safe employment and safety standards.

H. B. 8, by joint fish and game committee—Creating fish and game commission and providing for its election by legislature.

H. B. 9, by Burdick—Establishing Deschutes county fair at Redmond.

H. B. 10, by roads and highways committee—Authorizing \$10,000,000.

HARNEY'S DREAM OF YEARS COMING TRUE

Election to Be Held to Authorize Bonds For Great Irrigation District

Ontario entertained James, better known as Jimmy, Donegan of Harney county last Sunday. And Mr. Donegan brought with him the information that the people of Harney county are soon to realize the dream of years, irrigation for nearly 100,000 acres of land in the valley.

While in the city Mr. Donegan consulted with J. W. McCulloch of the firm of McCulloch and Duncan who handled the legal phases of the formation of the big district, which is believed, by the way, to be the largest single irrigation district in Oregon.

"There is no limit to the benefits that will be derived by the irrigation of the Harney valley," said Mr. Donegan. "It will mean a great deal to Burns and to all this region. Why, we will be able to raise twice as many cattle and sheep, for the range will not be used so long when winter feed can be had close at hand," observed Mr. Donegan.

"The district may ultimately be increased to 100,000 acres," said Mr. McCulloch, "but the men forming the district thought best to proceed to build the storage reservoir on the Silvis and if it is found that sufficient water can be stored, there is plenty of land to put it on."

"This district will be perhaps one of the least expensive ever built in Oregon. The entire project, it is estimated, can be built for less than \$30 per acre, in fact, figures are presented as low as \$20 per acre," Ontario Argus.

Snow Will Start Rabbit Poisoning

Biologist Horn returned from Malheur county last Tuesday night but has again returned to that section, going to Vale where he expects to meet his chief, Ira Gabrielson. Later he will return to this county and prosecute the work of exterminating rabbits. At present there is nothing "doing" in that line as the weather is too spring like, besides the ground is uncovered and the pests are not congregated around stack yards. Should we have a snow fall it will be then the right time to get busy. Mr. Horn informs The Times-Herald that the county court has decided to furnish the poison to those who will use it when the proper time comes, therefore that part of the matter need not interfere with wholesale distribution of the poison when the farmers get ready for the work. It has been demonstrated beyond question that poisoning is effective so if the rabbits are not destroyed it is more or less our own fault by not taking advantage of the chance.

THRIFT WILL BE TAUGHT IN ALL OREGON SCHOOLS

Wasco Won \$50 Prize Last Year Contest Open To All Co. Sup't Is Director

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, CORVALLIS, Jan. 21.—Competition for the \$50 prize offered by the Oregon Bankers' association for the county whose school children most diligently carry out the nationwide thrift program for Oregon, is now open to the children of Harney county. Thrift will be taught in all city and country schools of the county and the thrift campaign here will be directed by Mrs. Frances Clark, county school superintendent. This prize was won last year by Wasco county and the year before by Jackson.

The plan of thrift education was originated by J. A. Bezell, dean of commerce at O. A. C. It has been widely adopted by the United States government and put in charge of the treasury department.

The thrift campaign in Oregon is conducted by the treasury and agricultural departments of the federal government, Oregon Bankers' association, Oregon State Teachers' association, Oregon Agricultural college, and state department of education. J. A. Churchill, superintendent of education, was appointed state director by the federal treasury.

Thrift education will be made a part of the regular school work this year in all schools. Habits of thrift will be made attractive to girls and boys to teach them the value of money, strengthen the country, and better the communities in which they live.

Funds for carrying on the work are supplied by the federal government. The program covers the period from 1920 to 1925.

The thrift cards will be filled out in ink by the pupils and handed to the teacher the last Friday in each month for checking.

Income Tax Officer Coming

The time has again arrived for making out your income tax returns. The law provides that all returns must be in the office of the Collector of Internal Revenue at Portland, on or before March 15th, 1920. Those failing to comply with the law are subject to heavy penalties. All tax payers are urged to make out their returns at once, thereby avoiding the rush at the last hour.

For the purpose of assisting tax payers of Harney county in making up their income tax return for 1919, Deputy Collector Payne from the Internal Revenue office will be at the following places on the dates given below:

Crane, Feb. 5th to 7th 1920 inc. Burns, Feb. 9th to 14th, inc.

AGRICULTURAL MAN CONFERS WITH COURT

Ass't. County Agent Leader Will Secure Permanent Worker for County

F. E. Ballard, Assistant County Agent Leader, was in the city Wednesday. He came to confer with the county court in respect to the selection of a suitable man for this field to act as advisor in the way of extension work. The court provided for the employment of such a man and Mr. Ballard came to have the necessary papers signed in order that he might look for a suitable man for the position.

In explaining the duties or work of such a man Mr. Ballard stated that the state and government cooperated with each county that took up such work and devote an equal amount toward defraying the expense. Harney county provided \$2500 for this purpose in making up the budget and therefore this amount will be matched by the state, thus giving \$5000 to this important work during the coming year.

The extension worker takes up all agricultural problems of the county but works under the direction of a farm bureau, or committee of men selected from farmers and stock men of the county, who formulate the plans. For instance just at present the most important work in that line would be the eradication of pests. This would not prevent his consulting with individuals and communities on agriculture and kindred problems. Later he would be valuable in connection with irrigation problems, in assisting in the working out of problems under the system inaugurated when the reservoir is constructed and "reconstruction" begins in the method of using water. However that might be, the proposed agent will work under the supervision of local men and whatever is done toward development or demonstration will be sanctioned by this committee.

The Times-Herald has contended for such an employee of the county for several years. In fact ever since the plan was first started and when Mr. Shattuck was acting as county agent. This county would be far to the good had it continued with the plan when it first started. At any rate, that is the opinion of men who observe what has been accomplished in other counties.

Mr. Ballard stated while conversing with a representative of this paper Wednesday, that he was on the "lookout" for a man for this field, but that they were hard to find. We want one suited to this part of the country. L. R. Breithaupt was the man for the place, but he has been "gobbled up" by Malheur county. If we can have as good a man we will get our money's worth and have no complaint.

GET COMMUNITY NURSE FROM EASTERN SCHOOL

Mrs. Sadie Orr-Dunbar of the Oregon Anti-Tuberculosis Association with headquarters in Portland is at present in Washington, D. C. where she is endeavoring to secure a county nurse for Harney county. This information was given Don Taylor, secretary of Harney County Chapter, American Red Cross, on his visit to the Oregon Public Health Service offices in Portland. Every encouragement was given by Dr. David N. Roberg and Miss Jane C. Allen of that body and they have assured him of their complete cooperation in getting the work started here.

As explained in a previous issue the nurse that undertakes this work must not only be a graduate in general nursing work but must also have successfully completed a course in public health nursing and as have such instruction is given a nurse must be obtained from an eastern school. Mrs. Orr-Dunbar is expected to bring a nurse with her on her return and in the meantime plans are being formulated for appointment of a public health nursing board whose duty it will be to outline the program on which the nurse will proceed.

It is to be regretted that this work could not have been started sooner as much could have been done toward the training of others in the county and active preparation for care of patients in the present epidemic of influenza.

Masked Ball Postponed

The masquerade ball advertised to take place at Tonawana on January 31 has been postponed until the present epidemic of influenza has subsided. Definite date will be announced later.

TEACH BETTER MARKETING TO STOCKMEN

School for Shippers Proves Great Help.

U. S. OFFICIALS TAKE PART

Stockyards in Several Cities Scenes of Short Courses For Associations and County Agents.

(Special Information Service, U. S. Department of Agriculture.)

The big stockyards of the country are being used temporarily for short course schools. Instruction of a very practical sort is being conducted, namely, in the best methods of marketing live stock. One of the first of these schools was conducted in the National Stockyards at East St. Louis Ill., a few weeks ago, and was such a success that the "students" unanimously passed resolutions urging that similar courses be offered semi-annually.

The Bureau of Markets of the U. S. Department of Agriculture in cooperation with the National Federation of Live Stock Shipping Associations has been instrumental in promoting this work.

This instruction is given primarily for managers of live stock shipping associations and others directly interested in shipping live stock. A course similar to that given at St. Louis has been conducted in Kansas City. Arrangements have been made for repeating them in Omaha, Chicago, Sioux City, Detroit, South St. Paul, and other cities.

Morning and Afternoon Classes. What was typical of the instruction in other cities. The course covered three days, "classes" opening at 8:30. The first morning an intensive study was made of the grades of cattle and hogs largely marketed through shipping associations. It was a big subject to cover in a single morning, but the men were intensely eager for the facts and there was no need for pedagogical repetition, nor were there useless questions to take up the time of the instructors.

The 1:30 o'clock session might be called a class in applied bookkeeping, as the afternoon was given over to accounting methods for shipping associations, including much helpful explanation of the methods of preparing shipments. There was help also for managers; about the regulations governing freight rates and minimum weights of mixed shipments. The case of one shipper was cited who recently was required to pay \$30 more freight on a mixed car of cattle and pigs than he would have incurred had he been properly informed on the regulations. It was pointed out that the presence of a few calves in this shipment of pigs required that the minimum weight for a car of cattle be used as a basis of calculation instead of a lower minimum which is allowed for hogs. Notwithstanding, the total had to be computed at the "hog rate" which is higher than the cattle rate. The men present felt that many single points like this brought out at the sessions more than repaid them for all the time and money spent in attending the classes.

A conference of the managers was also held the first afternoon at which they took up the problems of shrinkage and similar questions.

Addresses were given by representatives of the Bureau of Markets the morning of the second day, in which the bureau's market reporting service was fully explained. Representatives of the local stockyards company and the local live stock exchange also spoke. One of the subjects to which they called special attention was the increased development of cooperative marketing of live stock. The grading of sheep and lambs was explained by buyers for packing houses and representatives of commission firms.

In the afternoon the men were given a chance to see how the different classes of animals "killed out," that is, the character of the various carcasses from the standpoint of the butcher, or packer. Everything said was specific and practical. When it came to a detailed discussion of the value of carcasses of this or that grade all the figures, brought right up to date, were supplied by officials of the packing plant. In the same way the men secured much valuable information regarding the special demand which each class of meat supplies. On the third and last day much of what had been given in the two previous days was repeated for the benefit of several men who had been unable to attend earlier sessions.

The schedule of most of the schools



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